

MEDIA RELEASE

GREEN @ YOUR LIBRARY MARCH 3 Eastside Library Bilingual Workshops and Dedication of Water-Wise Patios

Santa Barbara, CA – February 21, 2012 The Eastside Library will host a Green @ Your Library event on Saturday March 3 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, with the participation of nine local organizations that promote conservation and sustainability. The Eastside Library is located at 1102 E. Montecito St., two blocks East of Milpas St.

During the Green @ Your Library program, BiCi Centro will hold a bicycle clinic, the Santa Barbara Permaculture Network will share locally adapted seeds, and the Santa Barbara Museum of Art will provide materials and assistance for a craft project for children. Other organizations on hand with information and advice include COAST (Coalition for Sustainable Transportation), Habitat for Humanity Re-Sell Store, City of Santa Barbara (Waterwise Conservation), County of Santa Barbara (Less is More), Surfrider Foundation, and the Franklin Community Center, which offers garden plots and teen programs.

The special bilingual informational family program will begin at 11:00 AM with a welcome by Library Supervisor Marivel Zambrano-Esparza, who will recognize the local businesses, organizations and individuals who contributed time, materials and labor to re-landscape the two library patios with water-wise plantings and irrigation. Valencia Landscape, Ronchietto Woodworking, Pitayo Landscaping, Cecilio Landscape, Foothill Nursery, G & Design Associates, Joan Radditz, Landscape Architect, Wendy Glomb, Landscape Designer, Jeannie Mason, Landscape Designer, Ewing Irrigation, and the City of Santa Barbara Waterwise project provided free materials and services to create a model low-water use garden design and installation.

This opportunity to learn about all things green in Santa Barbara is free and open to the public. The craft activity begins at 11:30 AM. The Library may be reached at 805-963-3727.

For information about the Santa Barbara Public Library System, visit the library web site at <u>SBPLibrary.org</u>. Green @ Your Library programs are planned for other library branches during March and April.

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